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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thanks. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, members, Senator Chambers makes some interesting points. And I don't even know what I'm going to say yet. But I think, and I've thought about this a lot, Senator Chambers and others, I think in the arena of public policy, statements like this amendment makes is important. One of the dilemmas we have in rural Nebraska is we don't always pull together. And I would say there are several organizations out there now trying to do this. And, in fact, I am considering a Select File amendment that would strengthen this some, not moneywise but directive wise. There's lots of things that can be done in rural Nebraska that I think will help rural Nebraska. LB 1348 is a bill I had two years ago, that put some money out there, it's very popular, and it's very used. And I see every week, if not...not every day, but every week, some things that...some initiatives that are happening in rural Nebraska because there was some seed money there to help. And it's relatively small amounts; \$15,000, \$50,000, \$75,000, what have you. And a lot of those are scattered across the state of Nebraska. There's going to be a Co-op packing plant at saint...Petersburg. Just now that they're, actually, hiking the daily kill, it sounds like, I mean in the proposal, it's not built yet. If you look at the...lines 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, there are some ideas there that I think are going to be bringing young people back to rural Nebraska. But there has to be some kind of opportunities. And, frankly, it is not going to be in production agriculture. That's become almost a given. It looks like one person is going to be farming whole counties. We may be down to 93 farmers in this state, I don't know. No...no, it would be 90 because my county, Sarpy County, Douglas County are going to be all concrete. But things...statements like this, perhaps in statute, perhaps you can do it in a resolution, but there has to be some overall viewpoint, and some...I don't know who is supposed to define where we're to go. The university has offered to kind of take the lead here. And we have extension officers out there that are in place to do some of these things. And I don't think we want all of our population in eastern